In The Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows and add claim 2.

1. (Currently Amended) A computer method for creating ~~implementing~~ a portfolio of investments ~~in a single transaction by a user~~ comprising the steps of:

selecting a portfolio of investments from a plurality of potential investment~~s~~ options; ~~and~~

adjusting a desired risk-return characteristic of said selected portfolio by adjusting a risk-return pointer using a graphical user interface device; and

transmitting by the computer one or more trades to implement an adjusted ~~the~~ portfolio over a computer network ~~in response to a single click of a mouse by a user~~.

2. (New) The computer method according to claim 1, further comprising:

determining automatically by a processor a weighting of a plurality of instruments in the portfolio to accommodate said adjusted risk-return characteristic.